UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20436

MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 109th Congress ¹

[Date approved: December 16, 2005]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 2855 (Mrs. Sue Myrick of North Carolina).

Proponent name, location: Clariant Corp., Mount Holly, NC.

Other bills on product (109th Congress only): None.

Nature of bill: Extension of temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2008.

Retroactive effect: None.

Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):

Ethanediamide, N-(2-ethoxyphenyl)-N'-(2-ethylphenyl)- (CAS No. 23949–66–8) (provided for in subheading 2924.29.76).

Check one: X Same as that in bill as introduced.

_____ Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section).

Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

The subject product is a synthetic organic chemical used as a light stabilizer in plastics, primarily in polypropylene, polycarbonates, styrenics, polyesters, and polyvinylchloride. It is imported from France.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Eric Land (202-205-3349); Tariff Affairs contact: Dave Michels (202-205-3440).

² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/index.htm.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

| HTS subheading: <u>2924.29.76</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | | | | | |
| Col. 1-General rate of duty | 6.5% | 6.5% | 6.5% | 6.5% | 6.5% | | | | | |
| Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports | \$200,000 | \$200,000 | \$200,000 | \$200,000 | \$200,000 | | | | | |
| Customs revenue loss <u>1</u> / | \$130,000 | \$130,000 | \$130,000 | \$130,000 | \$130,000 | | | | | |

^{1/} The estimated Customs revenue loss for 2005 and 2006 results from a duty suspension under HTS heading 9902.04.13 that expires on December 31, 2006.

Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):

| Name of firm/organization | Date contacted | US production of same or competitive product claimed? | Submission attached? | Opposition noted? | |
|---|-------------------|---|----------------------|-------------------|--|
| | | (Yes/No) | | | |
| Clariant Corp. (Proponent) Andrew Zamoyski Fax: 401-823-2700 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No | |
| Abbott Laboratories Elaine Leavenworth Fax: 202-783-6631 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No | |
| American Chemistry Council Jim O'Connor Fax: 703-741-6922 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No | |
| Bayer Karen Niedermeyer Fax: 412-777-4740 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No | |
| Bayer Julie Van Egmund Fax: 202-737-8909 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No | |
| Biddle Sawyer Corporation William Thonack Fax: 212-239-1089 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No | |
| Ciba Specialty Chemicals John Deming Fax: 302-479-5152 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No | |
| E.I DuPont Helen C. McMahon Fax: 302-774-1398 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No | |

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates and Commission estimates.

| Eastman Chemical Co. Greg Riddle Fax: 703-524-7707 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No |
|--|------------|----|----|----|
| Eastman Chemical Co. Jorge San Pedro Fax: 703-524-7707 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No |
| Honeywell International Art Simonetti Fax: 202-662-2675 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No |
| Monsanto Linda Strachan Fax: 202-789-1867 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No |
| Monsanto Michael Parrish Fax: 202-789-1867 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No |
| Noveon Tom Dirmyer Fax: 214-415-6001 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No |
| Rhodia Dominick Cangiana Fax: 609-860-1841 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No |
| Solutia Sue Cannon Fax: 314-674-1585 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No |
| Solutia Dan Jenkins Fax: 314-674-1585 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No |
| Uniroyal Lloyd Moon Fax: 203-573-4430 | 10/11/2005 | No | No | No |

Technical comments:³ None.

The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

H. R. 2855

To extend the suspension of duty on Oxalic Anilide.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 9, 2005

Mrs. Myrick introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To extend the suspension of duty on Oxalic Anilide.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. OXALIC ANILIDE.
- 4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.04.13 of the Har-
- 5 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to
- 6 Ethanediamide, N-(2-ethoxyphenyl)-N'-(2-ethylphenyl)-)
- 7 is amended by striking "12/31/2006" and inserting "12/
- 8 31/2008".
- 9 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 10 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

- 1 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
- 2 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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